Lenin and Trotsky – a Debate on Politics (1924)

By Leon Trotsky, Lenin and Mao, Sirohi

I. Lenin Opens

“I declare politics to be an art of insurrection, but I also mean our lives should be poetic, out with the arty stuff of Trotsky, out with his comrade Alexandra Kollontoi, politics is the real

lived debate of this type, till we live in debates it cannot succeed.”

II. Trotsky Fires a Response

“I argue we are failures and the revolt of the working class is successful and the Communist party will win, I love this debate system. I also argue if I was alone at home I would still debate in this sense each day, I call that Communism, a real debate every day.”

III. 2025 – Trotsky’s note just now

I understand Sirohi’s point, we should be jazz democracy and Prophetic democracy as Cornel West keeps arguing. We should then articulate that to the previous system and debate each day, but not for anything except our divine routine of politics. Glad to meet Sirohi soon.

IV. 2025 – Lenin’s note

I meant how can it get higher than this, debating with Marx guiding us himself. Someone so well read in Marx and his published many works by now on Grundrisse and Capital and aleatory politics and car utopianism and Jungendstill and all that which I argue the CPSU has read very minimalistically or maximally, but not in this fresh state.

Marx means live politics, live it horizontally, Sirohi makes that vertical and even financial perhaps.

I mean living culture by this debating stuff. Sirohi, don’t show off, just reply as PCF bets.

V. Sirohi – 2025

I mean in fact that we put politics in command, I mean the line will prove, I also mean politics is a mass line and I also mean

politics is dogmatic in Maoism, and reflexive in Trotsky and Lenin – we need dogmatic theses on politics – it is essential to debate politics or live it.

VI. Mao – 2025 note

I am glad Sirohi invites me to the debate in the present, going on this way, earlier they climbed and spoke for five and ten minutes, Sirohi means do the same and do it all day in real living culture in his house and make it a system which he can prove.

But we will meet him instead. I mean put politics in command is inspirational – promote politics and not personal process. I also mean politics will be essential for this visit. Witnessing a radical stone pelting dialogue style from Sirohi – Badiou tells me he is too Platonist, and too vertical to care now. He means Plato dictates that the Republic has a leader who is gold class, and a wealthy philosopher. Plato means that that is the correct way of leading. Love Sirohianism, and love his integrated bias on old materialism – it says –

“Subjective lyricism then, if we fail at political speaking, it will then fail more, but is like diction and will go further and succeed, and that is all, be lyrical and inspired to win, the world to win, we like that from Prakash Karat.”

I am just about this subjective lyricism, then like a Achillean phalanx I make it objective, talk later.